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SUBJECT: ECOSOC ORGANIZATIONAL SESSION (JANUARY 11-14):

VARIOUS DECISIONS

1. THE ORGANIZATIONAL SESSION OF ECOSOC, IN ADDITION TO ORGANIZING ITS OWN BUREAU, WORK PROGRAM AND AGENDA AND DEALING WITH ELECTIONS TO VARIOUS BODIES (SEPTELS), ADOPTED THE FOLLOWING DECISIONS:

2. EXTENDED THE DEADLINE FOR COUNTRIES TO NOTIFY THEIR INTENTION TO BECOME MEMBERS OF THE ECOSOC COMMITTEE ON NEGOTIATIONS WITH INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGENCIES FOR NEGOTIATING AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE UN AND IFAD (SEPTTEL) AND DECIDED THE COMMITTEE WOULD MEET AND NEGOTIATE DURING THE 62ND (SPRING) ECOSOC SESSION IN NEW YORK, UNDER THE CHAIRMANSHIP OF AMBASSADOR RAFAIL RIVAS (COLOMBIA), ONE OF THE ECOSOC VICE PRESIDENTS.

3. ENLARGED THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE PREPARATORY SUB-COMMITTEE FOR THE WORLD CONFERENCE TO COMBAT RACISM AND RACIAL DISCRIMINATION FROM 16 TO 23 MEMBERS, COMPRISING SIX UNCLASSIFIED

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AFRICANS, FIVE WEO'S, FOUR EASTERN EUROPEANS, FOUR LATIN AMERICANS AND FOUR ASIANS, TO BE APPOINTED BY THE PRESIDENT OF ECOSOC, AND AUTHORIZED THE SUB-COMMITTEE TO HOLD ITS FIRST SESSION IN NEW YORK (RATHER THAN GENEVA), MARCH 14 TO 25.

4. APPROVED THE RECOMMENDATIONS CONTAINED IN SECTION A,

PARAS 1(A), (B) AND (C) OF THE REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES, ACTING AS PREP COM FOR THE UN WATER CONFERENCE (DOCUMENT E/L 1742), AND NOTED THE COMMITTEE'S DECISIONS CONTAINED ELSEWHERE IN THE REPORT, TAKING INTO ACCOUNT THE COMMENTS MADE DURING THE CURRENT ECOSOC SESSION. SECRETARIAT ANNOUNCED THAT CNR FIFTH SESSION WOULD BE CHANGED TO MAY 9-20 IN NEW YORK.

5. NOTED THE CONCLUSIONS CONTAINED IN THE REPORT ON THE JOINT CPC/ACC MEETING (E/5892), TAKING INTO ACCOUNT THE COMMENTS MADE DURING THE CURRENT ECOSOC SESSION. A NUMBER OF REPRESENTATIVES COMMENTED ON THE REPORT INCLUDING US REP MYERSON. HE GENERALLY ENDORSED THE CONCLUSIONS IN THE REPORT FOR STRENGTHENING JOINT MEETINGS AND COORDINATION BETWEEN GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATIVES (CPC) AND SECRETARIATS (ACC), BUT HAD SOME DOUBTS ABOUT RECOMMENDATION 42(D) SUGGESTING VISITS BY CPC REPRESENTATIVES TO THE VARIOUS AGENCY HEADQUARTERS. OTHER SPEAKERS LIKEWISE EXPRESSED DOUBTS ON THIS POINT, INCLUDING SEVERAL WEO'S AND THE USSR.

6. AT THE SUGGESTION OF THE USSR, POSTPONED TO THE 62ND SESSION CONSIDERATION OF THE DRAFT REVISED RULES OF PROCEDURE OF THE ECOSOC FUNCTIONAL COMMISSIONS (E/5899) AND SET A MARCH 15 DEADLINE FOR PRIOR SUBMISSION OF SUGGESTED CHANGES, WITHOUT PRECLUDING FURTHER SUGGESTIONS DURING THE SESSION.

7. IN A STATEMENT READ BY TH PRESIDENT (AND ENGINEERED BY THE LEBANESE REP), ECOSOC TOOK NOTE WITH SATISFACTION UNCLASSIFIED

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OF THE STEPS TAKEN BY THE SYG FOR HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE TO LEBANON, INCLUDING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A SPECIAL FUND UNDER DIRECTION OF USYG BUFFUM, AND HOPED THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY WOULD CONTRIBUTE.
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